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H3N2 VARIANT CASE (H3N2V) IN MICHIGAN

Michigan reported a human infection with influenza A(H3N2) variant (H3N2v) virus in CDC's week 34 FluView report. The case was hospitalized in June 2015 as a result of their illness but has fully recovered. The case also reported close contact with swine in the week prior to illness onset. No human-to-human transmission was identified.

Michigan's H3N2v case is the <u>second case</u> nationally in 2015. Minnesota reported an H3N2v case in July.

For more information on variant influenza viruses, see CDC's <u>website</u>.

AVIAN INFLUENZA NEWS IN NORTH AMERICA

- Any reports of sick or dead birds should be forwarded immediately to the proper agency:
 - For domestic poultry, contact MDARD:
 - M-F 8AM-5PM, 1-800-292-3939
 - After hours/weekends, 517-373-0440
 - For wildlife (die-off of waterfowl, gulls, or shorebirds), contact DNR:
 - M-F 8AM-5PM, 517-336-5030
 - After hours/weekends, 1-800-292-7800

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H5N1), A(H7N9) NEWS

- Emerging Infectious Diseases: Effect of live poultry market closure on avian influenza A(H7N9) virus activity in Guangzhou, China, 2014
 - Findings indicate market closure and disinfection rapidly reduce amount of viable virus
- <u>Ivory Coast and Nigeria report more H5N1 in poultry</u>
- Vietnam reports H5N1 outbreak in 1,000-bird village flock

FLU WEBSITES

www.michigan.gov/flu www.cdc.gov/flu www.flu.gov http://vaccine.healthmap.org/

Archived editions of FluBytes are available <u>here</u> and MI FluFocus archives are here.

INFLUENZA-RELATED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Clinical Infectious Diseases: Impact of prompt influenza antiviral treatment on extended care needs after influenza hospitalization among community-dwelling older adults
 - Prompt antiviral treatment decreased impact of flu on adults 65 and older through shorter hospitalization, reduced extended care needs
- Journal of Infectious Diseases: Serum samples from middle-aged adults vaccinated annually with seasonal flu vaccines cross-neutralize some potential pandemic flu viruses
 - Found serum neutralization titers in 100% of subjects against A/H2N2
- Cost-effectiveness of high-dose versus standard-dose inactivated influenza vaccine in adults aged 65 years and older: an economic evaluation of data from a randomized controlled trial
- Heart: Acute myocardial infarction and influenza: a meta-analysis of case-control studies
 - Found significant association between recent respiratory infection and acute MI
 - Estimated flu vaccine effectiveness against acute MI was 29%
- Ability of physicians to diagnose influenza and usefulness of a rapid flu antigen test in febrile returning travelers: a randomized controlled trial
 - Flu was frequent cause of fever among febrile returning travelers
- High titer neutralizing antibodies to influenza after oral tablet immunization: a phase 1, randomized, placebo-controlled trial
- <u>Viral dominance of reassortants between</u>
 <u>canine influenza H3N2 and pandemic (2009)</u>
 H1N1 viruses from a naturally co-infected dog

OTHER INFLUENZA-RELATED NEWS

- Hope set to defend title in state flu vaccination competition
- UNC, Duke researchers team up to study how the flu spreads
- Pediatrics: Policy statement from the American Academy of Pediatrics, <u>Influenza immunization</u> <u>for all health care personnel – keep it</u> mandatory
- Choctaw Nation and State of Oklahoma supply flu vaccines
- <u>Kiwi horses blamed for equine flu outbreak in</u> Malaysia

